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synthesis Institution of Oceanography. Also recently isolated from a Caribbean coral *Erythropodium caribaeorum*. **Total Synthesis:** K.C. Nicolaou, Floris van Delft, Takashi Ohshima, et al. *ACIE*, **1997**, *36*, 2520-2524. Nicolaou group also published synthesis of Sarcodyctins (similar to eleutherobin) and analogs via solid phase

Clinical trials: Currently in preclinical status

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Isolation: First isolated from *Eleutherobia sp.* collected in Australia in 1995 by William Fenical's lab at Scripps Mechanism of action: Mechanism of action similar to Taxol. Binds to and polymerizes tubulin.

Strategic bond disconnections for eleutherobin.

salinosporamide A

Isolation: Isolated from bacteria of the genus *Salinospora* by William Fenical (SIO) in 2003. **Total Synthesis:** Leleti Rajender Reddy, P. Saravanan, and E. J. Corey. *JACS*, **2004**, *126*, 6230-6231. **Mechanism of action:** Potent inhibitor of the proteasome by covalently binding to the active site threonine residues of the 20S proteasome.

Clinical trials: In vitro studies have shown salinosporamide A to have potent activity against several cancer cell lines. Proceeding through several phase I trials as a single agent against multiple myeloma, solid tumors, or lymphoma.

Summary of SAR done by Corey on lactacystin and analogs.

Li, W.; Corey, E.J. Chem. Pharm. Bull. 1999, 47, 1.

downregulation of certain proteins. Mechanism of action: Can bind to protein kinase C, an enzyme involved in the upregulation and

drug shows more promise. Granted orphan drug status by FDA when used in combination with Taxol for analogs have been disappointing when used alone as an anticancer agent, but when used in combination the esophageal cancer in 2001. Also being tested in trials as an anti-Alzheimer's agent. Clinical trials: Bryostatin 1 involved in over 30 trials related to cancer. Trials using bryostatin 1 and its

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of **4**. Reaction conditions: (j) Cu(OTf)₂ (3 mol%), PMBOC(NH)CCl₃, lutidine, DCM, –78 °C, 71%. Cp, cyclopentadienyl; b.r.s.m., based on toluene, -10 °C; (k) PPTS, CH₃OH, 93% over two steps; (l) TBSOTf, 2,6-84%; (i) TESOTf, 2,6-lutidine, DCM, -10 °C to 0 °C, 76–79%. **b**, Synthesis conditions: (a) CpRu(CH₃CN)₃PF₆ (13 mol%), DCM, 34% (80% b.r.s.m.); Figure 4 | Synthesis of acid 5 and alcohol 4. a, Synthesis of 5. Reaction (b) NBS, DMF, 98%; (c) CSA (10 mol%), CH₃OH, 0 °C, 93–96%; (d) (g) TBAF, HOAc, THF, 90% (96% b.r.s.m.); (h) (CH₃)₃SnOH, DCE, 80 °C, NaHCO₃, DCM, 88%; (f) Ohira–Bestmann reagent, K₂CO₃, CH₃OH, 97%; (C₂H₅)₃N, DMF, 80 °C, 83% (90% b.r.s.m.); (e) Dess–Martin periodinane, PdCl₂(CH₃CN)₂ (10 mol%), dppf (30 mol%), CO (1 atm), CH₃OH,

Figure 5 | Synthesis of bryostatin 16. Reaction conditions: (a) 5, 2,4,6trichlorobenzoyl chloride, (C₂H₅)₃N, toluene, then **4**, DMAP, 92%; (b) TDMPP (15 mol%), toluene, 56%; (d) $AuCl(PPh_3)$ (20 mol%), $AgSbF_6$ DDQ, pH 7.0 buffer, DCM, 46% **3** and 58% **19**; (c) Pd(OAc)₂ (12 mol%), (20 mol%), NaHCO₃, DCM/CH₃CN, 0° C to room temperature, 73%; (e)